

## **REMARKS**

### **A. The Subject Matter Rejection Is Moot**

Applicant disagrees with the Office's subject matter rejection of claims 9-16. In the interest of expediting allowance of the remaining claims, however, these claims have been canceled and no new matter has been added.

### **B. Comment on Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

In its statement of reasons for allowance, the Office states that “[t]he distinct features have been added to the independent claims 1 and 17, therefore, rendering them allowable.” Action at p. 4. Claims 1 and 17 have not changed since they were filed. Nothing has been “added” to them.

### **C. Conclusion**

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowability of claims 1-8 and 17-18, and requests that the Office issue a Notice of Allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees required by this paper from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/BAES:026US/MTG.

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Respectfully submitted,

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